GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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PASSPORT APPLICATIONS THROUGH DISTRICT COLLECTORS
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has introduced the system to collect applications through District Collectors for getting passports in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the year in which the said system was introduced:

(c) the details of number of persons who submitted their applications for passport to the District Collectors during the years 2005-06 and 2006-07 year-wise and State-wise; and

(d) the number of persons who were issued passports out of such applications during the above period, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMED)

(a)& (b) In January 2002, Government introduced system to collect passport applications through District Passport Centres (DPCs) in the country, which function under either District Collector or District Police Superintendent.

(c)&(d) The information is being collected and would be placed on the Table of the House as early as possible.